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The Michigan Department of Agriculture (MDA) and the U.S. Department of Agriculture, National Agricultural Statistics Service (USDA, NASS), Michigan Field Office are pleased to present the results of the 2005-2006 Michigan Vegetable Rotational Survey. This bulletin represents a cooperative effort of the private and public sectors to provide data critical to the planning process for Michigan's agricultural industries.

This is the 15th report to be published under the Michigan Rotational Survey program. The program is funded by the Michigan legislature, administered by MDA and conducted by the USDA, NASS, Michigan Field Office. The first survey under this program was a fruit survey conducted in 1991. The fruit survey was followed by a vegetable survey in 1992 and a nursery and Christmas tree survey in 1993. Turfgrass was added to the rotation in 2002. The surveys continue on a rotational basis among the four areas of production.

Michigan growers are to be commended for their cooperation and voluntary submission of the data necessary to complete this report. The Michigan Vegetable Council and various commodity organizations representing Michigan's vegetable growers also provided helpful suggestions during the development of the survey questionnaires and encouraged their members to participate in the survey.

We look forward to the continued success of the Michigan Rotational Survey program and its resulting benefits to Michigan agriculture. If you have questions or suggestions for improving this publication, please contact the USDA, NASS, Michigan Field Office at (800) 453-7501.

Sincerely,

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